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1. 🛛 The a	amendment filed on 22 January 2008 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:		
a) 🔲	entered.		
b) 🔲	entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.		
c) 🗆	disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.  Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.		
d) 🛛	disapproved. See explanation below.		
e) 🗌	entered in part. See explanation below.		
issue r	ant has made an amendment to claims 30 and 105 that changes a limitiation in the claims. The claims at the time of efered to an option key that enabled consecutive uses of a single multi-value key. The proposed amended claims the option key enabling consecutive uses of the entire set of multi-value keys.		
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